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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: TWA FLIGHTS

REF: MANAMA 0817

1. FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH GIRARD ON BASIS REFTEL REVEALS CONFUSION IN INFO CONVEYED PARIS 23722. WHAT TWA IS SEEKING IS NOT AUTHORIZATION OVERFLY BAHRAIN BUT PERMISSION TRANSIT AIRSPACE OFFSHORE BAHRAIN BUT WITHIN JURISDICTION BAHRAIN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL. SUCH PERMISSION DEEMED NECESSARY SINCE PROPOSED ROUTING FOR TWA FLIGHTS WOULD CROSS AIRWAYS CONTROLLED BY BAHRAIN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL CENTER. NEW ROUTING PROPOSED AT REQUEST IRANIAN AUTHORITIES SINCE PRESENT TWA ROUTE PASSES OVER IRANIAN AIR BASE WHERE JET FIGHTER ACTIVITY IS HEAVY AND IS SAID TO POSE DANGER FOR COMMERCIAL AVIATION.

2. TWA REQUESTED ABOVE PERMISSION BY TELEX SEP. 27 AND RECEIVED TELEX RESPONSE NEXT DAY SIGNED "AIR CIVIL BAHRAIN" INDICATING INABILITY APPROVE SUGGESTED ROUTING,
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OSTENSIBLY DUE TO POOR COMMUNICATIONS IN EASTERN GULF

AND WITH BOMBAY. TELEX RESPONSE SUGGESTED AS ALTERNATIVE TWA'S PRESENT ROUTE OVER EMIRATE STATES; MOREOVER, RE-ROUTING WAS MENTIONED AS POSSIBILITY ONCE AIRCRAFT HAD ENTERED BAHRAIN AIRSPACE. IN SHORT, CIVAIR BAHRAIN REPLY WAS NOT RESPONSIVE TO CRUX OF TWA REQUEST WHICH WAS TO PERMIT NEW ROUTE THROUGH BAHRAIN AIRSPACE THAT AVOIDED OVERFLIGHT OF EMIRATE STATES AND ENTERED IRANIAN AIRSPACE AT NEW POINT DESIGNATED BY IRANIAN AUTHORITIES.

3. GIRARD STILL ANXIOUS TO GO TO BAHRAIN IN HOPE OF RESOLVING QUESTION RAPIDLY AND WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF APPOINTMENTS COULD BE MADE FOR HIM TO CALL AT EMBASSY AND THEN ON DIRECTOR GENERAL AT CONVENIENT DATE AFTER OCTOBER 19.
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